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Dear Commissioner:

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the Petition filed on 9 August 2006. Enclosed please find a copy of the certified German court order along with the necessary English Translation. In view of submission of the English translation applicants respectfully request acceptance of the Petition Under 37 C.F.R. 1,82 mailed on 9 August 2007 for completion of this application.

If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Applicants' primary attorney-of record, Gregory A. Schald (Reg. No. 33,280), at (612) 336-4728.

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Application No.: 10/538,515 PCT No.: PCT/EP03/13959

Int. Filing Date: 09 December 2003 Priority Date: 09 December 2002

Attorney Docket No.: 12684.0015USWO > For: INHALATION THERAPY DEVICE

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DECISION

This decision is in response to the "Petition Under 37 C.F.R. §1.182" to change the name of an inventor filed 09 August 2006.

BACKGROUND

On 14 October 2005, the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) mailed a Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 (Form PCT/DO/EO/905) indicating that an oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) and a surcharge fee must be provided. Applicants were given two months to respond with extensions of time available pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a).

On 10 November 2005, applicants filed an executed declaration and surcharge fee. The name of the second named inventor was listed as Daniela MUNDENBRUCH on the declaration. However, the surname was listed as HAUSER on the international publication.

On 14 July 2006, a communication was mailed notifying applicant that the declaration was not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497 and were given one month to provide an acceptable declaration, or file a petition to change the name of the inventor.

On 09 August 2006, applicants filed the subject petition which was accompanied by, inter alia, a certified copy of a German court order and the \$400.00 petition fee.

DISCUSSION

Section 605.04(c), *Inventor Changes Name*, of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedures (MPEP) states, in part:

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The petition must include an appropriate petition fee and an affidavit signed by the inventor setting forth both names and the procedure whereby the change of name was effected, or a certified copy of the court order.

In the response filed 09 August 2006, applicants' petition to change the name of the second inventor and have provided the requisite \$400.00 petition fee and a certified copy of the court order as required.

This evidence would have been acceptable for a grantable petition.

However, the court order submitted to the Office as the required proof needed for a grantable petition is in German without an English translation. The Office does not accept foreign language documents as evidence without an accompanying English translation.

CONCLUSION

For the reason discussed above, applicants' petition under 37 CFR 1.182 is **DISMISSED** without prejudice.

The declaration filed 10 November 2005 is still not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b).

If reconsideration on the merits of this petition is desired, a proper response must be filed within TWO (2) MONTHS from the mail date of this decision. No additional petition fee is required. Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Please direct further correspondence with respect to this matter to Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, Office of PCT Legal Administration, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, with the contents of the letter marked to the attention of the Office of PCT Legal Administration.

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Häuser

Birth name of the other spouse (if appl., had name of the wrie)

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